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JEWISH CALENDAR.

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New Year's Eve.....Monday, Oct. 3
Yom Kippur.....Thursday, Oct. 13
First Day of Succoth.....Tuesday, Oct. 18
Shemini Atzereth.....Tuesday, Oct. 25
Simchath Torah.....Wednesday, Oct. 26
Rosh Chodesh Cheshvan.....Thur., Nov. 3
Rosh Chodesh Kislev.....Friday, Dec. 2
First Day of Hanukah.....Monday, Dec. 26

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Rosh Chodesh Tebet.....Sunday, Jan. 1
Rosh Chodesh Shebat.....Monday, Jan. 30
Rosh Chodesh Adar.....Wed., Mar. 1
Purim (Feast of Esther).....Tues. Mar. 14
Rosh Chodesh Nissan.....Thurs. Mar. 30
Pessach (Passover).....Thursday, Apr. 13
Pessach (7th Day of).....Wed., Apr. 19
Rosh Chodesh Iyar.....Saturday, Apr. 29
Rosh Chodesh Sivan.....Sunday, May 28
Shabuoth (Feast of Weeks).....
.....Friday, June 2
Rosh Chodesh Tammuz.....Tues., Jun. 27
Rosh Chodesh Ab.....Wednesday, July 26
Feast of Ab.....Thursday, Aug. 3
Rosh Chodesh Ellul.....Friday, Aug. 25
New Year's Eve 5672.....Friday, Sept. 22
The day begins at sunset of the day preceding the corresponding common date.

EDITORIAL

(By Mrs. B. Lurie.)

CHANUKAH CHARITY BALL.

The subject engaging at present the largest share of attention in B'nai Brith circles is the means whereby may be raised a creditable amount to forward as Houston's contribution to the New Orleans Orphans' Home and several other institutions. Those interested in the welfare of the order gladly contribute to success of this, as well as other undertakings, while others, unaffiliated, are urged not to discriminate against the work for any reason whatsoever. The present cause is entirely too worthy to permit those able to share in its discharge to hold aloof for any pretext.

The task of raising the fund is of purely local interest, but the benefits to be derived therefrom are of a very general nature and should appeal to every Jew whose heart beats one throb of sympathy for the fatherless, motherless, helpless and unsheltered.

Herzl Lodge contemplates giving a ball during Chanukah, the proceeds of which are to form the nucleus of the aforementioned fund. It is anticipated that a few will deny themselves

or family an evening's wholesome recreation by not attending this charity ball. Those who are working hardest in the interests of this noble cause are of the opinion that the success of the affair would be fully assured did Houston Jewry follow the example of the large Northern centers in the matter of buying up tickets for complimentary distribution, beside those for personal use. In this way it is easy to remember Gentile friends and also any worthy Jewish families who would willingly contribute were they not prevented by lack of means. In the case of thus helping the cause and at the same time making possible a whole evening's pleasure in the life of a poor co-religionist, one has a splendid opportunity of "not letting the left hand know what the right hand is doing." So, when purchasing ball tickets, remember to increase the zest of your own pleasure by the knowledge that the well and the sick are beneficiaries of your kindness. Those who can afford it should be careful not to miss the opportunity. Buy extra tickets.

LIVE FOR ONE ANOTHER.

Many forget their fellows and are themselves in turn forgotten. Do these consider that they are a world unto themselves? One sore affliction is generally sufficient to lay bare the folly of such selfish living. Remember others if you would yourself be remembered.

MORE FOOL THAN KNAVE.

Once more has a "good Christian" demonstrated how difficult it is for the descendants of Esau to practice the precepts they appropriated from him whom they esteem as the best of Jews. In this, as in many previous instances, we see that the interests of temperance reform are least advanced by so-called Church co-operation. These bigoted extremists cannot refrain from displaying the narrowness and prejudice which is fostered in them by their religious teachers from the cradle to the grave. That the cause of prohibition will be more fully safeguarded if left to civic rather than to religious agencies, is amply borne out by the tenor of the article which we reprint from last Sunday's Post:

To the Editor:

In a prohibition speech to a sidewalk audience on Main street this evening, a Rev. Mr. Carney saw fit to appeal to the anti-Jewish prejudices of his hearers. After relating a conversation between himself and an unnamed Jew, he exclaimed: "Think of it! A Jew told me that. A sheeny!" while he afterwards disclaimed any reflection on all Jews, the words above mentioned speak for themselves.

Now, this is a free country and Mr. Carney is not controlled in utterances of that character except by his conscience, but it occurs to me that an apostle of brotherly love is hardly

following in the footsteps of the gentle Nazarene when he invokes religious intolerance to win the applause of his audience. Besides, the champion of temperance should feel more kindly towards a people who maintain an age-long record for sobriety despite the saloon next door. Or does he hate the Jews for that reason?

Henry J. Dannebaum.

Houston, Texas.

AMBASADOR STRAUS RESIGNS.

It is now definitely known that Hon. Oscar S. Straus has resigned the post of Ambassador to Turkey, which he consented to accept for a third term, May 17, 1909. His last return to Constantinople was at the urgent solicitation of President Taft, who had been implored by American Christians at the head of the 350 schools conducted by the Presbyterian and Congregationalist Churches to induce Mr. Straus to take charge once more of American interests in the Ottoman Empire.

The present resignation has created little less than consternation in diplomatic circles and neither President Taft nor Secretary of State Knox see their way clear to accepting it. All concede that no one, either by experience or temperament, is so peculiarly fitted to handle the critical situation in Turkey in a masterly manner as Mr. Straus.

It is now nearly a quarter of a century since this great diplomatist first accepted the Ambassadorship to Turkey and has since won golden opinions for his ability to cope with all the diplomatic tricks of that Oriental court. It is doubtful if his resignation will be accepted.

A 5C. PER DAY CHARITY.

The work of the I. O. B. B. is of importance in the life of every Jew, whether he realize it or not. Its membership, numerically strong, is nevertheless not nearly as large as the objects of its endeavors or the Jewish population warrant. Members are taxed about thirty-five cents per week or 5c. per day. Surely this is little enough to devote to charity. Those who have not had the matter brought to their attention in this way, may now be encouraged to participate in the sacred privilege of helping the poor. Reserve your nickel each day for this noble purpose and trust the I. O. B. B. as the proper channel for its disbursement. Become a member and help take care of those who cannot take care of themselves.

A MARK FOR THE ASSASSIN.

Dr. Jacob Nieto, rabbi of Congregation Sherith Israel, San Francisco, and chairman of the B'nai Brith committee for the extermination of the "White Slave" traffic, has become a "marked" man. His life has been threatened repeatedly by those whom he has been instrumental in having convicted of the loathsome crime of seducing innocent girls. Not intimidated, he continues the relentless

crusade and his brave appeal to the citizens of San Francisco ought to be inscribed in letters of gold, hung in every B'nai Brith Lodge throughout the world.

"Don't leave such important work to city or State officials. They are paid for conducting the routine affairs of their office. But do it yourselves, individually and collectively, for it is a duty that should be shouldered by every man who respects virtue." "Every one of these vile beings on whom I can lay my hands will go to jail, regardless of any threats."

He has engaged an attorney, who is devoting all his time to this special work. Dr. Nieto will need no memorial statue. He will be remembered by his deeds. May the God of Israel watch over him and guard his life, that he be spared to continue in his glorious course for many years to come.

HARD TO RECONCILE THE TWO ACTIONS.

Simultaneously with the information that the Russian Government has generously (?) enlarged the "Pale" a little, comes the less welcome tidings that nearly seventy Jewish families have been expelled from St. Petersburg. Winter is in full blast now in Russia and this means added horrors to the poor exiles.

RESOLUTIONS

Adopted by the Ladies' Auxiliary Society of Congregation Adath Yeshurun on the Death of Mrs. Bertha Blumenthal.

Whereas, by the will of the Most High, our valued fellow-member and President, Mrs. Bertha Blumenthal, departed from earthly life on Wednesday, August 17, 1910, and

Whereas, she was a good woman, intensely interested in our Society, being at the time of her demise the President of our organization, and she being ever ready to work in our behalf; therefore, be it

Resolved, That we sincerely mourn her loss; remembering her virtues, never forgetting her devotion to Judaism and mindful of her many virtues, we commend her soul to the Creator of us all, and know that peace hath come unto her.

Resolved, That we extend our heartfelt sympathy to her aged father, and to her husband, and that we pray to the Father above to foster and to protect her young child from all ill, that she grow up to womanhood a pride to our community and a worthy daughter to her beloved mother.

Resolved, That this preamble and these resolutions be spread on our minutes, be published in the Jewish Herald, and a copy thereof be presented to her father and to her husband.

Mrs. M. J. Schlom,
President.
Mrs. B. H. Greenberg,
Mrs. M. L. Scher,
Committee.